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COMMUNICATION

This is to memorialize a voicemail message received by the undersigned from Examiner Li on January 31, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Applicants thank the Examiner for her prompt reply to applicants' inquiry.

On January 30, 2006 the undersigned requested clarification as to whether the September 30, 2005 Office Action is final or non-final. In the January 31, 2006 voicemail message Examiner Li stated that the Office Action is "non-final, regardless of what it says on the

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first page" of the Office Action and that the checking of Box 2a on the first page of the Office Action "was a mistake."

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